

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Original) A method for managing customer accounts in connection with a Pre-Paid platform (8), in which method

- the applications (3) communicate with the Pre-Paid platform (8),

characterized in that, wherein,

- the applications (3) are arranged to communicate with a proxy (4) and the Pre-Paid platform correspondingly (8) with a billing module (5), in which case the proxy (4) and the billing module (5) communicated with each other in a logically predefined manner, in which case

- the proxy (4) is used to collect and manage the services used by the customers, the billing models, and the rating, and

- the billing module (5) is used to bill the customer's Pre-Paid account, which is located on the Pre-Paid platform (8), or in a system behind it.

2. (Original) A method according to Claim 1, characterized in that, wherein the proxy (4) is used to collect the price of the services used by the user and other similar data and to transmit this data to the billing module (5).

3.(Original) A method according to Claim 1 or 2, characterized in that, wherein the price data is formed according to various billing principles (for example, content+access, content including access).

4. (Currently Amended) A method ~~according to Claims 1, 2, or 3,~~ according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that,~~ wherein the proxy (4) is used to control the delivery of the service used by the user.

5. (Currently Amended) A method ~~according to Claims 1, 2, 3, or 4,~~ according to Claim 1, ~~characterized in that,~~ wherein a service code is transmitted to the Pre-Paid platform with the aid of the call's B-number formed by the billing module.

6. (Currently Amended) A method ~~according to any of the above Claims,~~ according to Claim 1, ~~characterized in that,~~ wherein the proxies (4) prevent services being delivered to the user, if the user's pre-paid account is empty, or if the price of the service is greater than the funds in the Pre-Paid account.

7. (Currently Amended) A method ~~according to any of the above Claims,~~ according to Claim 1, ~~characterized in that,~~ wherein the billing module (5) (PCN) transfers to the Pre-Paid platform (8) the real amount of the value of the service ordered by the user, in cash or other consideration, from the user's Pre-Paid account.

8. (Currently Amended) A method ~~according to any of the above Claims,~~ according to Claim 1, ~~characterized in that,~~ wherein the billing module (5) transmits the billable data to the Pre-Paid platform (8), using an INAP protocol.

9. (Currently Amended) A method ~~according to any of the above Claims,~~ according to Claim 1, ~~characterized in that,~~ wherein the billing modules (5) transmits the billable data to the Pre-Paid platform (8), using a CAP protocol.

10. (Currently Amended) A method ~~according to any of the above Claims,~~
according to Claim 1, characterized in that, wherein the node (7) converts the price or
 rating data obtained from the proxy (4) into voice-calls.

11. (Currently Amended) A method ~~according to any of the above Claims,~~ according
to Claim 1, characterized in that, wherein the call data includes at least a B-number and
 a time definition.

12. (Original) A Pre-Paid mediator (7) for managing customer accounts in connection
 with a Pre-Paid platform (8), in which mediator (7) there are

- a billings ~~means~~ unit (5) for communicating with the Pre-Paid platform (8), and
- at least one proxy (4) for communicating with applications (SMS, GPRS, MMS),

~~characterized in that, wherein~~

- the data-transfer interface in the direction of the applications is formed to be logically
 one-way, in which case the proxies (4) can be made modular,
- the proxies (4) include ~~means~~ a unit for collecting and/or managing the price and other
 similar data of the services used by customers, and wherein
- the billing ~~means~~ unit (5) ~~include means~~ includes a unit for billing a customer's Pre-
 Paid account in the Pre-Paid platform.

13. (Original) A mediator according to Claim 12, ~~characterized in that,~~ wherein the
 proxies are not in direct contact with the Pre-Paid platform (8).

14. (Original) A computer software product, which implements the method according to
 Claim 1.